IT DID NOT RAIN

LOCAL RAINMAKING EXPERIMENTS YESTERDAY A FAILURE

Chemicals Shot Into the Air Continnously With No Visible Effect Whatever-The Conditions Proneunced Unfavorable-Esti-

Notwithstending all the unfavorable conditions Mr. Child still believed he could make rafu and sent chemicals into the air, through long pipes, for that purpose. His idea was that these chemicals floating around in atmosphere would accumulate the moisture which would, in time destend, according to the infalible rules of gravity.

John A. Weed Shot a toucestant by the Name of Jackson.

Fath and its hand-maid hope filled the hearts of the little crowd of embryo scientists, and after a whole day of successive tests, they went home to dream of Niagaras and expecting to be awakened only by the patter of rain-drops over the friendly roots that sheltered their heads. They were doomed to disappointment for no rain has come.

During the entire evening they watched the horizon for the discovery of clouds with all the enthusiasm that Columbus watched the western horizon for a glimper of India. No cloud banks showed up, but still they were not discouraged for they were quite sure they would come later on. Gerald Volk once gave an exciting and thrilling false alarm. He have the traces of what seemed to be a cloud coming up in the south, but a closer examination proved it to be the smoke of a Santa Ferngine.

They will repeat the experiments today on trying till it rains

SAD TALE OF WOE.

Ella Parsons filed suit in the district court yesterday against her husband, C. L. Parsons, for a divorce and alimony. She alloges that they were married in 1885, and have two children, and that the defendant is a ratiway postal cierk running between Larned and Jetmore. In ning between Larged and Jetmore. In the first place she says that he does not contribute to her support, and in the next place she alleges that he has used her with cruelty. She weighs 112 pounds according to her statement, while he weighs 165 pounds, and not withstanding this vast difference in avoirds pois, he has repeatedly struck her and thrown her to the floor and dragged her out of doors. On one occasion the alleges that he horsewhinned her she alleges that he horsewhipped her, while on another occasion he pinched her. Mont Hallowell, as attorney, has esponsed the cause of the distressed wife.

ARRESTED ON SUSPICION. Omer Taoraton was picked up on the stre t last night by Officer Fisher, to who is the could give no account of himself. When asked where he came from he said"On, from anywhere or nowhere."
He is a good looking young man and was well dressed, but had nothing in his

was well dressed, but had nothing in his pockets but cuff and color buttons and two keys. The one key is what is called a pass key, and unlocked all the doors around the police station save the ceil doors. He was charged with lottering. A great noise was raised among the risoners when he entered the prison, be-suse he had his clothes perfumed with

PIREMEN CALLED OUT. Fire was discovered in the house of Fire was discovered in the house of Stella Roberts, at the corner of Wichits and Emstreets, lest right, and the alarm rurned into the department. The best and bedning and the currains in the room caught fire but the flames were extinguished by the chemical engine before much demange was done.

much damage was done.

Stella was in the police jail at the time
and when told of what had had happened
and when told of what had had happened cursed the carlessness of the man left in charge. It is not known how the fire

TWO CHARACTERS ARRESTED. Yesterday Jeck Axtell and Kid Russell were arrested by the police on a telegram from Enid and are now in custody await-ing officers from that place with requisi-tion papers. It was not stated in the distch to the police what the charges were minst them, but it is supposed that it

TELAL TODAY. Yesterday the junitors of the county building were busy arranging the com-men pleas court for the trial of the boodling cases that is to be beld there teday. The tried will commence at 9 o'clock promptly. Today's proceedings do not bid

promptly. Today's process
fair to be very exciting, but about Tuesday some red bet stuff is expected. COMING LUCAL EVENTS. Regular meeting of the choral depart-ment of the Musical club at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Wichita council No. 29, U. C. T., wil hold a special meeting this evening at 7:30 sharp for work. Business of importance will size come before the meeting. Every member in the city is requested to attend.

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FIRE AT COLWICE.

Excising Scenes Witnessed There Early Yest: day Morning.

Colwich had a very narrow escape from being wiped out of existance yesterday morning and it would have been were it not for a few tired home-bound folks from a big dance that was held at Mount Hope.

As those young people reached Colwich they noticed flames darting up through the roof of a building in the business center of the little city, in the very middle of the various frame store buildings, and nothing disturbed the quiet of the night but the winds that were faming the flames. Not a soul was awake apparently.

whatever—The Conditions Proncured Unfavorable—Estimate Made That the Test

Would Produce Rain

at Cherryvale—Experiments Continue Today.

It didn't rain yesterday and at 2 o'clock this morning there wasn't a cloud visible in the sky as large as a grain of pepper.

Hubert Child's magic didn't work, but of course there is an explanation for it. The conditions were not favorable. The conditions were not favorable on the conditions were not favorable on the conditions were not favorable on the conditions were the stream of the conditions were the stream of the conditions were not favorable on the conditions were the stream of the conditions were were minded to the conditions were were and the conditions were were minded to the conditions were we

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John A. Weed, formerly of Wichita, Kan, but now located on a claim in section 17, township 29, range 3, was in the city Monday morning and reported that morning to Charles Cusad's to do some plowing, and when passing Mr. Jackson's house (Mr. Jackson by the way has been belping Mr. Weed hold down his claim found the road blackaded by fence posts in front of Jackson's house, and when pulling back into the road after going around the obstruction, the door of Mr. Jackson's house opened and the old time contest settler spoke out in no uncertain tone—the result was Mr. Weed rocived a shot over the left eye, and anothin the neck and one in the arm; his wagon was well sprinkled with No 4 shot.

Mr. Weed says he is going to make three complaints against Jackson. One for obstructing the public highway; second for moving a corner stone established by United States surveyor and a third for assault with intent to kili.—Caldwell Advance.

Wichita people are unfortunate about

Inr. Trueman is a great admirer of good horses and was so well pleased with what he saw that he purchased a fine team of blooded stopers which he will have shipped to Binghamptou at once.

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The gentlemen were well pleased with the appearances of farms noticed along their drive, and spoke highly of the energy displayed by the Kansa farmers. "There is one toing I fail to fully understand," said that is the low prices on real estate and city property of alk kinds."

"If faily believe the bottom of the financial especially at Wichita; and furtherment of the property on the property of the property on the property o

Value.
Wichita people are unfortunate about their claims. This is the fourth Wichitan who has been shot over claim contests since the opening of the Cherokee strip. REPORTED FIGHT,

killed. So it is said to be a cousin of Bill have driven over Wichita pretty Dalton, and a bad man from Bitter Creek. It is related also that two of the deputy sheriffs were wounded and two of the and Davidson's are equal, if not superior,

given.

Den Colterel an attorney of Newkirk arrived in the city lat night. He had not he ad anything of the reported encounter between the passe and the guard, but he said that if it is true there will be no tears shad at Newkirk. He also stated that if the gang was captured a direturned to Newkirk that they would undoubtedly stretch hence. Mr. Wintermuth, one of the men whom they killed was a popular old soldier who organized the G. A. R. post at Cross.

the character of his wife and asking for the children.

The divorce was granted and the chil-

LOCALS CONDENSED.

It said that another witness, whose tes-timony is important in the boodle cases, has been found. It is said that Will Kendrich, th

popular and well known traveling man, will soon become a benedict. Justice Jones will give two exhibitions of his mesmeric and hypnoric powers next week in aid of the Sons of Veteraus.

Thomas Lord, night clerk at the Metro-

pole, has been tendered a post ing in one of the swell Denver hotels and he will probably accept it. probably accept it.

A young lady who was born in Wichita while it was a village, will get married next week. At her birth she was presented with a town lot by the Pioneer

Burt McCiure while riding a bicycle on

Perry Jewett, assist ent in Dunbar's un-dertaking establishment, has been darger-ously threatened with blood poiston. While attending the last services upon the While attending the last services upon the body of C. C. Stevens, who died of consumption on the Rock Island train, he pierced his first finger with a needle. The wound was slight and passed by as harmless, but blood poison set in and the dector called. The finger is now growing better and the danger is for the most part past. The blood poison was the result of the poisonous tisue of the dead body.

BARRETT HONORED.

S. L. Barrett, register of deeds, received a letter yest-rulay from Department Commander W. P. Campeil of the G. A. R., notifying him of his appointment as aide de camp and requesting him to inform Chief of Staff Hornady of his acceptance if he so desired. Judge Barrett was surprised and very much pleased at the honor conferred on him as he was not expecting anything of the kind.

THEY LIKE WICHITA

PROMINENT EASTERN CAPITALISTS VISIT THE PEERLESS PRINCESS.

They are Delighted With the Climate and Say it is the Best in the Known World-Pascinated With Some of Toler's Blooded Stock. They Determine to Have Some of Them-They Give Opinions on

the Business

Situation.

The Hotel Carey is entertaining th distinguished visitors, Hon. Charles Davis vice-president of the Merchants bank, Hull of the firm of Hull, Drummond & Co., Binghampton, New York, and Hou. J. C. Trueman ex-postmaster under Cleveland's first administration, also of Bing-

These gentlemen are on a return trip from the south and west, and having heard so many flattering stories about Wishits, decided to stop over for a short visit,

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Mr. Davis has been the vice-president of the Meichants bank of Rochester ever since its organization some twenty years ago. Aside from this he is receiver for the Elmira National bank, Elmira, New York.

Mr. Hull is one of the firm of Hull, Drummond and Co., extensive wholesalers of tobacco and cigars located at Binghampton, New York.

This city produces and sells to the trade more cigars than any city in the United States, with the exception of New York.

Mr. Hull employs over 500 men at the Binghampton factories.

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Mr. Trueman is a wealthy New York broker, and is also an investor in western securities. He returned to America a sport time ago from an extensive trip throughout Egypt and the oriental countries, but said that during sil his traveis he never once met with as beautiful a climate as we have in Kansas.

Yesterday afternoon the above named gentlemen, in company with L. D. Skinner, took a drive in the country, and on their return stopped at the Toler stock farm.

Mr. Trueman is a great admirer of good

"The greatest surprise to us all was to find such a magnificent paper as the EAGLE published at Wichita.

published at Wichita.

"This paper is superior to anything at Binghampton, and would do credit to any metropol tan city east, south, north or west. "The telegraph news, markets and sta-

Scott gang, but their names were not to savihing outside of the large cities in given.

New York state." The visitors will probably leave for the east tomorrow.

AN EAST ST. LOUIS APITALIST.

Major Niederlander and Harry Hess who are up home from St. Louis called yesterday morning, being accompanied by Hon. J. T. McCasand, a capitalist of East St. Louis. Mc. McCadand, who is the republican candidate for congress in his district is the leading spirit of East St. Louis. The Centralin Sentinel says that to his shirit and enterprise more than to any SEVERED THE KNOT

Mrs. Marr Sas She Was Horsewhipped and Was Granted a Divorce

The district court granted Sadie F. Marr a divorce from ber husbend Resignain F. Marr, yesterday. In her petition Mrs. Marr states that her husbend was guilty of extreme cruelty and at one time horse whipped her.

Mr. Marr filed a cross petition asselling the character of his wife and asking for the truth is, never in the history of the time horse to look the matter over with a view to investing. The truth is, never in the history of the time horse to look the matter over with a view to investing. The divorce was granted and the children were given to the father who took them with aim from the court room. The mother apparently was more joyini in the thought of being free from her former relations than sorrowful from the loss of her greater or less extent, on the economical and financial affairs of the country at large, but not altogether, for Wichita, in face of all the depression and disaster of the times is more than holding her own, is increasing in trade and growing.

RANE TREAT.

The lecture of J. E. Butler of Lincoln, Neb., to be given at the Y. M. C. A. building Tuesday evening of next week, will prove a rare literary treat. Mr. Butler has spent several years in the preparation of his famous lecture on "Fraternity," and it is pronounced by prominent secret society people extant the most entertaining and instructive presentation of the times. It will cost nothing to hear the lecture. Next Tuesday eve. lecture. Next Tuesday eve.

DEATH OF A FORMER CITIZEN. J. A. Van Denberg, for some years a member of the firm of the United Sash and Door factory of this city, died at his home in Lincoln, Neb., at 11:30 a. m., on the 17th inst. He removed with his family Burt McCure while riding a bicycle on East Douglas avenue last night was attacked by a dog, and while watching the rantings of the canine he callided with an iron post and was badly stunned.

Joe Charbenan, who presides with such artistic grace at the second chair in George McNeal's barber shop, will soon leave for his old home at Cleveland, Ohio. Joe has improved the looks of many a hideous face and his hosts of friends will weep at his departure.

Polsoner His Blood.

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The development of the leaves a wife and two children to mourn his death.

BOUGHT A BANDY. A V. Alexander has just returned from Mexico, Mo., where he purchased a fine standard bred seddle coit from Lee Bros., of Mexico, Mo. Lee Bros. are the owners and trainers of the famous saddle gelding, Mascot, who took the premium at the world's fair over saddle borses from all parts of the United States, and is to be sold at Mexico, Mo., at the great combination horse sale Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week. Mr. Alexander thinks this bay saddle colt will make a record in the show ring, when trained, equal to this famous horse, Mascot, as he is of the same family of horses.

Perry Jackson and his brother. J. R., had a preliminary hearing before the police judge yesterday and were bound over to the district court. They were charged with stealing harness from a farmer who lives west of the car works. They are both lame.

A CANDIDATE FOR AUDITOR.

H. L. Millard is the latest candidate for auditor of state. He halls from the Seventh district and the Artanuas valley, but is well known throughout the state. The Sterling Champion, his home paper, is out in a atrong editorial for him, recounting his capabilities, his experience in public life and services to the party. Colonel Millard spent the day in the city yesterday seeing the boys and interviewing the delegates to the state convention. He mays that his candidatey is being received in a most satisfactory way and that no one contends that it will conflict with the claims or chances of any of the other candidates from this section of the state.

RECEPTION TO BISHOP THOMAS. As the Right Rey. Bishop Thomas will arrive in Wichita this morning, it is the desire of Mr. von Herrlich that as many members and attendants of the church should meet him as possible. The bishop and Mr. von Herrlich will hold an in formal reception in the basement of the church from 7:30 until 9 p. m., All are requested to be there and meet the bishop. This invitation is not to a few, but to everybody interested in St. John's church.

HANCHER THIS MOUNTING Argument for a new trial in the Hancher case will be made today in the district court by Ben Henderson of Winfield. It will be resisted by County Attorney Boone. Henderson asks for a new trial, alleging prejudice shown on the part of the court and jury at the last trial.

The ladies of St. John's church reclined over \$300 by their recent carnival, and extend their sincere thanks to everyone who kindly contributed to its great success, both those in the church and those generous ones outside the parish.

REAL ESTAIR TRANSFERS.

PERICLESIAN PROGRAM. The Periclesians have an unusually fine program prepared for this evening, as fol-

lows:

Violin Solo... Miss Lizzie Nichola
Recitation... Miss Mamie McNair
Vocal Solo... Miss Jessie Goodwin
Biography... Captain Burgess
Recitation... Prof. Griffin
Violin Solo... Mr. Fred Huttman
Original Poem... Miss Rea Woodman
Speech... Mr. Leichti
Vocal Solo... Miss Nellie McPherson
Oration... Mr. Ben Root DEBATE.

Affirmative-Henry Huttman, Earl Evns.
Negative—Luther Burns, Earl Blake.
Resolved, "That capital punishmen
hould be abolished."

Henry S. Mueller of Sedgwick City speut yesterday in the city. Miss Mamie Giover lett yesterday for Yates Center on a visit to her sisters.

The infant child of Charles Cox died at the far her's home, six miles south of the city, yesterday. Mr. Freeman, the manager of "A Rail-road Ticket," is a way up Mason, and while in the city attended the Scottish

The Dold Packing company killed 222 hogs yesterday which was all the hogs that could be bought the day before. They will kill more today.

Sarah Travis yesterday handed into the probate court the third sound account of her guardianship of Charles E. Travis, minor. The account was approved.

Herman B. Fisher of Andale applied to the probate court yesterday for a marriage liceuse. He intends to lead to the altar and take as his helpmate for life Miss Ella Watson of the same place.

Tom Voss, constable in Justice Tucker's court, is on the path of Anna Roberts and Court Shields. A warrant was issued for these two yesteriasy on the charge of disturbing the peace of Georgia Young. Mr. J. T. Carey and wife of Chicago are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carey. Joe is spending a few days at Wichita staking hands with old friends, who are always glad to welcome him back to the old "stamping ground."

Mrs. L. G. Whittier returned from Frankfort, Ky., yesterday. Mrs. Whittier had gone each to see her mother who was seriously ill. After four weeks of sickness she began to improve and was much better when her daughter left.

Professor Amos W. Smith, who has been connected with the Southwestern Business college for the past twelve months, left hast evening for Bradford, Pa., where he has accepted the principalship of a business college at that point. During his stay in the city Professor Smith has made many friends who regret his departing.

SLAVES IN NEW ENGLAND.

The Beginning of Traffic in Human Chatters in the Eastern States. In the sixteenth century the system of slavery was fast disappearing from western Europe as being inconsistent with their duty for Christians to hold Christians as slaves. But this charity did not extend to heathens and infidels! In the latter part of the seven-teenth century the African slave trade was considered the most profitable part of British commerce. New England naturally followed the lead of older countries, and her exchange for humanity of rum, molasses and other commodities acceptable on the Guinea and Gold coasts began.

In 1638, says Harper's Magazine, Samuel Maverack, of Massachusetts, bought African slaves, and in 1959 "a neager mayde 252" appears in an inventory in Hartford. Ere long every well-to-do family had its quota of negroes for necessary domestic services and labor on the "plantation" of the northern agriculturist, not in large numbers, as later, on the cotton plan tations of the south, but one or two, or

Other Troubles

Hood's Sarsaparilla.



"C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. "C. I. Hood S Co., Lowell, Mass.:

"Dear Sirs: From childhood I had been a great sufferer from scrolula, having a tumor on my left breast and another in my stomsch. I was also afficted with salt rheum. We spent much money for medical attendance and remedies, but all to no avail. Three years ago I commenced to run down. The trouble with my stomach would not allow me to eat and even milk distressed me very much. My right hand and arm became almost paralyzed, and my stomach difficulty was fast developing into

Serious Female Troubles. me very nervous and was subject to faint ling spells. Dark spots appeared before my eyes. The doctors failed to help me. In the spring I read about the wonderful cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla and decided to give it a

My Own Work Alone. I shall continue taking Hood's Sarsaparilla as it is my cheapest bired servant. I am a farmer's wife, our place embracing 130 acres. We think Hood's Vegetable Pills cannot be beaten, and we have great faith in Hood's Sarsaparilla." Mrs. BENJ. SHETTERLY, Buchanan, Michigan.

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ly had. We will carry no cheap, shoddy shoes. All our shoes FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, The Only Way We will carry no cheap, every person to call. examine and price our elegant line of new shoes, and you will be convinced that we are telling the plain, unvarnished, solid truth when we say that we are selling shoes at about half the price that Ladies' kid shoes, button, patent

Mail orders solicited: and Childrens fine kid slippers - remember that by our NEW Children's fine kid slippers - Children's fine kid slippers METHOD \$2.00 to \$2.50 buys Children's fine kid button shoes an elegant French Kid Child's fine kid slippers Lady's Shoe or Oxford; and Child's fine kid sho from \$3 to \$4 buys an ele Child's fine kid shoes gant hand made Kangaroo, Boys' fine all solid . French Calf or Hamburg Shell Cordovan Men's Shoe. These prices will knock into splinters the 100 per cent profit usually obtained by

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156 N. MAIN ST. Now Comes Spring

numbers, as later, on the cotton plantations of the south, but one or two, or even seven or eight in a family.

The slaves imported were of various colors, tribes and physiognomies. Some were jet black, with features approaching those of the European; some were of a tawny yellow, with fist noses and projecting jaws. These labter, coming from the delta of the Niger, were noted for an indomitable capacity for endurance, and therefore esteemed the best slaves. A few were Mohammedans, among whom were occasionally found persons of some education, who knew Arabic and could read the Koran. But the great mass were pagans, in a condition of grees barbarism.

John Armen, a candidate for justice of the peace in Kowinstown, Pa., died, but his name was retained on the hallote and the corpse was elected.

Mrs. Harry Guess has removed from Brooklyn to New York, and the target of the case of the latter city are now engaged in hunting her up in order to tax her mortgage of \$1,200,007 on the Stewart hallding.

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You may take your choice of any Axminster or Moquet Carpet in the house at

90 cents a yard.

We have 3500 yards of Lancaster Gingham [you may see samples of it in our window] to sell today at 4 cents per yard. A lot consisting of 1000 yards of the best Duck in fancy stripes to sell today at 71/2 cents per

1000 yards of good quality Outing Cloth 30 inches wide, at 41/2 cents per yard today.

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Ten pieces of our 20c matting, twenty yards to a customer, at this sale 10c per yard.

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ing to carry, we will put a price on them that will sell, Ladies' common sense slippers - \$ 75 you have formerly paid for the same class of shoes.

Mail orders solicited: and Misses' fine kid slippers

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To appreciate New Dress Goods is to see them for yourself.

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your own eyes. See the rich colors;

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